

MEMBERS, OCONEE COUNTY COUNCIL

Mrs. M. Fran Burrell, District I Vacancy, District II
Mr. Michael E. Harper, District III Mr. Roy B. Strickland, District IV
Mr. Johnny D. Stone, District V

MINUTES, OCONEE COUNTY COUNCIL MEETING

The regular meeting of the Oconee County Council was held Tuesday, June 18, 1991 at 3:00 PM in Council Chambers with Mr. Strickland, Mr. Harper & Mrs. Burrell present. Mr. Brandt, County Attorney, was also present.

Members of the press notified (by mail): Seneca Journal, Keowee Courier, Westminster News, WGOG Radio, WSNW Radio, WCCP Radio, WZLI/WLET Radio, Anderson Independent, Greenville News, WYFF TV, WLOS TV & WSPA TV.

Press

Members of the press present: Dick Mangrum - WGOG Radio, Robin Boyle - Seneca Journal, Ron Barnett - Greenville News & Tom Johnson - Anderson Independent.

All other persons who have asked to be notified of meetings were also notified by mail.

Other Persons

The meeting was called to order by Supervisor-Chairman Crain who welcomed the guests and media.

Call to Order

The invocation was given by Mr. Strickland.

Invocation

Mr. Harper made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Burrell, approved 3 - 0 (Mr. Stone absent) that the minutes of the regular meeting held June 4, 1991 be adopted as printed.

Minutes
6/4/91

Mr. Harper made a motion, seconded by Mr. Strickland, approved 3 - 0 (Mr. Stone absent) that the minutes of the special meeting held June 11, 1991 be adopted as printed.

Minutes
6/11/91

Mr. Jerry Dyar, representing the Local Emergency Preparedness Committee, asked Council to consider purchasing a 1978 Ford beverage truck with a Caterpillar diesel engine to be converted into a hazmat vehicle. Mr. Dyar further informed Council that the City of Westminster would be willing to house the vehicle if they were asked to participate by the county and some of the industries might be willing to furnish some of the needed hazmat equipment.

LEPC
(Contingency)

After a brief recess for Council to look at the vehicle, Mr. Mize, Fire Marshal, stated he felt the Rural Fire budget had enough funds to take care of the gas, oil and maintenance in the 1991-92 fiscal year. Mrs. Dillard, Purchasing Director, informed Council there was probably enough funds in the insurance account to cover the liability on the vehicle. Mr. Strickland made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Burrell, approved 3 - 0 (Mr. Stone absent) that \$11,300 be taken from contingency to purchase this vehicle.

At the request of Mr. Frank Wise, Director of the Anderson-Oconee County on Aging, Mrs. Burrell made a motion, seconded by Mr. Strickland, approved 3 - 0 (Mr. Stone absent) that the county submit a letter of intent for CDBG funds to renovate the Seneca Pre-School for use by the Council on Aging and the Seneca Health Clinic. These two entities feel they can work well together.

Council on
Aging

Mr. Steve Blackwell addressed Council regarding the change in the road markings on Highway 183 in front of Keowee Key. Mr. Blackwell expressed concern about some pavement given to the State Highway Department by Keowee Key meeting state specifications and also about changes in the highway markings causing safety problems. Mr. Blackwell urged Council to pass a resolution condemning such actions in Oconee County and to place the safety of the citizens of the county above special interest groups.

Hwy. 183

Mr. Crain assured Mr. Blackwell this would be referred to the Roads & Transportation Committee for a recommendation, but Mr. Stone, Chairman of that committee, was absent from the meeting due to illness.

At the request of Ms. Gae McCord, Vice Chairman of the Arts Commission, Mr. Harper made a motion, seconded by Mr. Strickland, approved 3 - 0 (Mr. Stone absent) that the attached arts contract be approved.

Arts Contract

Mr. Harper made a motion, seconded by Mr. Strickland, approved 3 - 0 (Mr. Stone absent) that Resolution 91-4, "A Resolution of Appreciation to Mr. Jerry D. Dyar" be approved on first and final reading and be presented to Mr. Dyar at the next quarterly Departmental Head drop in.

Res. 91-4

Mr. Brown, Superintendent of Education, informed Council that the school department would be receiving \$1,043,400 less in state funds than anticipated. Therefore, he was asking Council to consider giving the school district one more mill to help offset this deficit.

Education

Mr. Strickland made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Burrell, approved 3 - 0 (Mr. Stone absent) that Resolution 91-5, "A Resolution of Appreciation to Mr. Harrison E. Orr" be approved on first and final reading.

Res. 91-5

Mr. Strickland made a motion, seconded by Mr. Harper, approved 3 - 0 (Mr. Stone absent) that the attached transfers for the Motor Pool be approved.

Motor Pool
(Transfers)

Mr. Harper made a motion, seconded by Mr. Strickland, approved 3 - 0 (Mr. Stone absent) that the bid process be waived and the Motor Pool be allowed to purchase parts from Van Lott to repair the under carriage of the FL20 in the CCS Department. The cost of the parts is approximately \$9,500 and Van Lott is the only known dealer to have all the parts needed.

Motor Pool

Mr. Strickland made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Burrell, approved 3 - 0 (Mr. Stone absent) that the attached transfer for the Animal Shelter be adopted.

Animal Shelter
(Transfer)

Mr. Strickland made a motion, seconded by Mr. Harper, approved 3 - 0 (Mr. Stone absent) that the attached transfer for PRT be approved.

PRT
(Transfer)

Mr. Harper made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Burrell, approved 3 - 0 (Mr. Stone absent) that the attached transfer for the Assessor's Office be adopted.

Assessor
(Transfer)

Mr. Strickland made a motion, seconded by Mr. Harper, approved 3 - 0 (Mr. Stone absent) that \$2,620 be taken from contingency and placed in 10 074 00150 00840, capital expenditures for the purchase of two (2) self contained breath apparatus for the Law Enforcement Center. (See attached request)

LEC
(Transfer)

Mr. Strickland made a motion, seconded by Mr. Harper, approved 3 - 0 (Mr. Stone absent) that the attached agreement by and between Oconee County & Department of Social Services for Child Support Pursuant to Title IV-D of the Social Security Act be adopted.

DSS Contract

Mr. Strickland made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Burrell, approved 3 - 0 (Mr. Stone absent) that the attached memorandum of agreement by and between Oconee County and Kirk S. Messick, CPA and Norman L. Trotter, CPA for auditing of county records for fiscal year 1991-92 be adopted.

Auditing

Mrs. Burrell made a motion, seconded by Mr. Strickland, approved 3 - 0 (Mr. Stone absent) that the radio maintenance agreement with Morris Communications be extended to June 30, 1992 at the same unit rate. (See attachment)

Radio
Maintenance

Mrs. Burrell made a motion, seconded by Mr. Strickland, approved 3 - 0 (Mr. Stone absent) that the bid for a high activity filing system for the Probate Judge's Office be awarded to Systems II, Inc. at a cost of \$7,599.37 which includes an additional three thousand (3,000) folders. (See attached bid)

Probate

Mr. Strickland made a motion, seconded by Mr. Harper, approved 3 - 0 (Mr. Stone absent) that the bid for carpet for the Tax Center, Clerk of Court, Public Defender Office be awarded to Walhalla Carpet at a cost of \$5,574. (See attached bid)

Carpet for
Courthouse

Mrs. Burrell made a motion, seconded by Mr. Strickland, approved 3 - 0 (Mr. Stone absent) that a blanket purchase agreement for type III plant mix be awarded to Hubbard Paving and King Asphalt so the county can buy plant mix at the best price for the job site. The mix will have to be tested by qualified engineers.

Plant Mix

Mr. Strickland made a motion, seconded by Mr. Harper, approved 3 - 0 (Mr. Stone absent) that Ordinance 91-7, "An Ordinance Granting a Franchise to Phoenix Cable, Inc. its Successors and Assigns to Operate and Maintain a Community Antenna Television System in the County Setting Forth Conditions Accompanying the Grant of the Franchise; Providing for County Regulation and Use of the Community Antenna System; and Prescribing Penalties for Violation of Franchise Provisions" be adopted on second reading.

Ord. 91-7

Mrs. Burrell made a motion, seconded by Mr. Strickland, approved 3 - 0 (Mr. Stone absent) that Ordinance 91-6, "An Ordinance Granting a Franchise to Larry Waterman d/b/a County Cablevision, Inc. its Successors and Assigns to Operate and Maintain a Community Antenna Television System in the County Setting Forth Conditions Accompanying the Grant of the Franchise; Providing for County Regulation and Use of the Community Antenna System; and Prescribing Penalties for Violation of Franchise Provisions" be adopted on third and final reading.

Ord. 91-6

Mrs. Burrell made a motion, seconded by Mr. Strickland, approved 3 - 0 (Mr. Stone absent) that Ordinance 91-8, "An Ordinance Requiring an Advisory Referendum on the Question of Whether Oconee County Should Issue Hospital Revenue Bonds to Finance Construction of a New Hospital Facility in Oconee County, South Carolina" be adopted on second reading.

Ord. 91-8

Council scheduled a public hearing to receive written and/or oral comments regarding this ordinance which proposes revenue bonds in the amount of \$26,000,000 Thursday, July 11, 1991 at 8:00 PM in the courtroom.

Public Hearing

After a discussion of how pay scales are arrived at, Mr. Burrell made a motion, seconded by Mr. Strickland, approved 3 - 0 (Mr. Stone Absent) that third and final reading of Ordinance 91-5, "1991-92 Oconee County Budget Ordinance" be deferred until June 25, 1991 and a Personnel & Intergovernmental Committee meeting be scheduled to discuss the classification and compensation study before that date.

Ord. 91-5

The Personnel & Intergovernmental Committee scheduled a meeting Monday, June 24, 1991 at 3:30 PM in Council Chambers for discussion of this study.

Personnel Meeting

After being advised by the County Attorney that Council can set the hours for the part time magistrate, Mr. Strickland made a motion, seconded by Mr. Harper, approved 3 - 0 (Mr. Stone absent) that funds be taken from contingency and the part time magistrate be scheduled to work fifty (50) hours a week during the illness of the other two magistrates.

Magistrate

Mr. Harper made a motion, seconded by Mr. Strickland, approved 3 - 0 (Mr. Stone) absent that the attached rates for COBRA insurance be adopted for fiscal year 1991-92.

COBRA Rates

Mr. Strickland made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Burrell, approved 3 - 0 that \$1,500 be taken from contingency and placed in line 10 007 00110 00710 for overtime to complete this fiscal year.

Overtime (Contingency)

Mr. Strickland made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Burrell, approved 3 - 0 (Mr. Stone absent) that Mr. Crain have the check in hand when the attached release is signed releasing Howard Baer, Inc. and William Flener from damages involving an oil spill on Woolbright Rd. The release is in the amount of \$12,000.

Release

Mr. Strickland made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Burrell, approved 3 - 0 (Mr. Stone absent) that a grant received by 911 to purchase maps be transferred to purchase road signs and funds in the 1991-92 budget be used to purchase maps.

E-911

Mr. Harper made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Burrell, approved 3 - 0 (Mr. Stone absent) that the effective completion date in the agreements for Seneca, Walhalla & Westminster to complete the I & I problems in their respective towns be September 30, 1992.

Ord. 91-2 (Agreement)

Mr. Harper requested that Lakeview Rest Home meet with Council on Tuesday to discuss budgetary problems.

Lakeview

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Mr. Strickland made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Burrell, approved 3 - 0 (Mr. Stone absent) that software and training for the Law Enforcement Center be purchased at \$5,282. LEC (Computer)

Adjourn: 6:20 PM

Norman D. Crain
Supervisor-Chairman
Oconee County Council